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Annotations

1. Election of officers

The proceedings of the Commission on Transnational Corporations are governed, mutatis mutandis, by the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council. Rule 18 thereof provides that the Bureau shall consist of five officers. The Commission may wish to follow the practice adopted at its previous sessions and elect a Chairman, three Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

The provisional agenda and documentation for the nineteenth session of the Commission were approved by the Commission at its eighteenth session and by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1992 in decision 1992/282.

3. General discussion on transnational corporations in the world economy and trends in foreign direct investment in developing countries

At its eighteenth session, the Commission requested the Secretariat to continue its work on foreign direct investment and the role of transnational corporations in development and to submit to the Commission at its nineteenth session reports dealing with those matters (E/1992/26/Add.1, para.15).

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on trends in foreign direct investment (E/C.10/1993/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the growth of foreign direct investment in the 1980s: trend or bulge? (E/C.10/1993/3)

Report of the Secretary-General on the emergence of integrated international production (E/C.10/1993/4)

Report of the Secretary-General on the universe of transnational corporations (E/C.10/1993/11)

4. Role of transnational corporations in the newly opened economies of Central and Eastern Europe

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1992/282, the Commission will have before it a report of the Secretary-General.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on foreign direct investment in the newly opened economies of Central and Eastern Europe (E/C.10/1993/5)

5. Transnational corporations in services, including banking

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1992/282, the Commission will have before it a report of the Secretary-General.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on issues related to the liberalization of foreign direct investment in services (E/C.10/1993/6)

6. International, regional and bilateral arrangements and agreements relating to transnational corporations

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 1992/282, the Commission will have before it a report of the Secretary-General.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the international framework for foreign direct investment (E/C.10/1993/8)

7. Activities of the Transnational Corporations and Management Division and its joint units

At its eighteenth session, the Commission requested the Secretary-General to submit to it at its nineteenth session a report on the implementation of the programme on transnational corporations, accounting also for the activities of the joint units established with the regional commissions (E/1992/26/Add.1, para. 68 (b)).

At its substantive session of 1992, the Council invited the Secretary-General to explore further, through case-by-case studies of foreign investment, new approaches to the process of privatization, administrative deregulation and demonopolization of economic activities (resolution 1992/36).

At the same session, the Council requested the Secretary-General to report to the Commission at its nineteenth session, the Economic and Social Council and the General Assembly on the implementation of its resolution 1992/34 on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa.

In accordance with Council decision 1992/282, the Commission will have before it the report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development as related to transnational corporations.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the United Nations programme on transnational corporations (E/C.10/1993/9)

Report of the Secretary-General on experience gained in technical cooperation activities involving privatization and foreign investment (E/C.10/1993/10)

Report of the Secretary-General on the universe of transnational corporations (E/C.10/1993/11)

Report of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting at its eleventh session (E/C.10/1993/12)

Report of the Secretary-General on the role of transnational corporations in South Africa (E/C.10/1993/13 and Add.1)

Report of the Secretary-General on follow-up to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development as related to transnational corporations (E/C.10/1993/7)

8. Provisional agenda for the twentieth and twenty-first sessions of the Commission

In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3 of Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII), the Commission will have before it a draft provisional agenda for its twentieth and twenty-first sessions, together with a list of the documents to be submitted for each agenda item and the legislative authority for their preparation.

Documentation

Draft provisional agenda for the twentieth and twenty-first sessions of the Commission on Transnational Corporations

9. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its nineteenth session

The Commission will adopt its report to the Economic and Social Council.